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Application No. 09/998,603

CLAIM LISTING

1. (Currently Amended) A method of constructing a corner in fabric, comprising:
attaching a first sheet of fabric material ~~along a seam to a second sheet of fabric material~~
so as to form a two layer fabric material three-dimensional corner;
forming a three-dimensional corner by attaching two parts of the two layer fabric material, the three-dimensional corner being configured so that the ~~extending a~~ second sheet of fabric material extends over an interior portion of the ~~seam~~ three-dimensional corner; and
turning the three-dimensional corner inside out to form an inverted, three-dimensional corner wherein the second sheet of fabric material extends over an exterior portion of the three-dimensional corner seam.
2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the first sheet of fabric material and the second sheet of fabric material are attached by stitching, and wherein turning the three-dimensional corner inside out comprises turning at least part of the stitching toward an interior portion of the inverted three-dimensional corner.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first sheet of fabric material includes a first notch formed therein and defining first side edges, and wherein the second sheet of fabric material includes a second notch defining second side edges, and wherein attaching the first sheet of fabric material to the second sheet of fabric material comprises attaching along the first and second side edges.
4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein attaching along the first and second side edges comprises stitching.
5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, wherein turning the three-dimensional corner inside out comprises turning at least part of the stitching toward an interior portion of the inverted three-dimensional corner.

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6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the inverted three-dimensional corner comprises three sides, and wherein the second sheet of fabric material extends over an exterior portion of each of the three sides of the inverted three-dimensional corner.
7. (Original) The method of claim 5, further comprising attaching a third sheet of fabric material against the interior of the inverted three-dimensional corner.
8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the third sheet of fabric material comprises a sealing tape.
9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the sealing tape comprises a waterproof sealing tape.
10. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the sealing tape is attached over at least part of the stitching.
11. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising attaching a third sheet of fabric material against the interior of the inverted three-dimensional corner.
12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the third sheet of fabric material comprises a sealing tape.
13. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the first and third sheets comprise polyethylene, and wherein attaching the third sheet comprises heat welding the third sheet to the first sheet.
14. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the sealing tape comprises a waterproof sealing tape.

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15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the sealing tape is attached over at least part of ~~the attachment of a region where the first sheet of fabric material to the second sheet of fabric material~~two parts of the two layer fabric material are attached.

16. (Original) A fabric structure having a corner formed in accordance with the method of claim 11.

17. (Original) The fabric structure of claim 16, wherein the fabric structure comprises a tent.

18. (Original) A fabric structure having a corner formed in accordance with the method of claim 1.

19. (Original) The fabric structure of claim 18, wherein the fabric structure comprises a tent.

20. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising forming a tab on an apex of the inverted three-dimensional corner.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20, further comprising attaching a loop to the tab.

22. (Currently Amended) A tent comprising:
a substantially waterproof tub floor, the tub floor having at least two corners, each corner formed in accordance with a method, the method comprising:
attaching adjacent parts of a first sheet of fabric material so as to form a three-dimensional corner; and
turning the three-dimensional corner inside out to form an inverted, three-dimensional corner;and

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tent walls attached to an upper edge of the tub floor, the tub floor and the tent walls forming an enclosure for the tent.

23. (Previously Presented) The tent of claim 22, wherein the adjacent parts of the first sheet of fabric material are attached by stitching, and wherein turning the three-dimensional corner inside out comprises turning at least part of the stitching toward an interior portion of the three-dimensional corner.

24. (Previously Presented) The tent of claim 22, wherein the method further comprises attaching a second sheet of fabric material against the interior of the inverted three-dimensional corner.

25. (Previously Presented) The tent of claim 24, wherein the first and second sheets comprise polyethylene, and wherein attaching the second sheet comprises heat welding the second sheet to the first sheet.

26. (Previously Presented) The tent of claim 24, wherein the second sheet of fabric material comprises a sealing tape.

27. (Previously Presented) The tent of claim 26, wherein the sealing tape comprises a waterproof sealing tape.